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Note: New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-303

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: July 11, 2006

Frozen Vegetables, Announcement FV-303, Invitation 022

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen vegetables as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1:00 p.m., Central time, Friday, July 21, 2006**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, July 31, 2006. Deliveries are to be made from September 1, 2006 through November 15, 2006.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Sweet Potatoes, Random Cut	6/5 lb ctn	1,320 cases
Sweet Potatoes, Mashed	6/5 lb ctn	7,920 cases

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

This invitation contains line item(s) identified as "Kosher Only". Vendors must comply with applicable dietary (kosher) laws as established by the "613 Council of Kasruth". Vendors must contact the Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York (BJENY) at (646) 472-5365 **prior to submitting a bid** to certify compliance with the applicable dietary (kosher) laws. A rabbinic supervisor will be sent by the BJENY to certify compliance with the dietary (kosher) laws.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special markings will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only", if and when they appear on an invitation.

Note: Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is <http://orca.bpn.gov>. The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated Appendix 1



dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm>

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of their Appendix 1.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-303, Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Frozen Vegetables dated April 2004, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/ Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-303, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303
 INVITATION : 022
 COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN
 COMM TYPE : 70 SWEET POTATOES, RANDOM CUT, FRZ
 PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/06 - 11/15/06

001	BROOKLYN	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,320	_____ ** (Kosher Only)
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 1,320

COMM TYPE : 71 SWEET POTATOES, MASHED, FROZEN
 PACK SIZE : 40 6/5 LB PKG

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 09/01/06 - 09/15/06


002	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
003	BOLINGBROOK	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____

DELIVERY PERIOD 11/01/06 - 11/15/06

004	BOLINGBROOK	IL	TRUCK ONLY	2,640	_____
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 7,920

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 9,240


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 Contracting Officer

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